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Director's Meeting

Friday, 16 November 1951

The DCI asked Mr. Wisner about his meeting with State Department yesterday. Mr. Wisner stated that they had reached certain agreements:

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Mr. Wisner quoted Mr. Dulles as saying that friction must be eliminated, that we have been carrying on the burdon for State Department and that we would be willing to drop any part of it if State would take over. Mr. Dulles also asked for an acknowledgement by State that we have been doing this at their request. Mr. Wisner said that most differences disappeared and that State acknowledged they were not capable of carrying on alone. They might, however, take over some of the load and some expense. There will be another meeting on Tuesday. The DCI asked that Mr. Wisner prepare a draft of a letter to Mr. Webb containing a brief memorandum of these conversations and stating that we were carrying on at State Department's request but would be willing to drop the whole thing in their favor.

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Mr. Wisner reported that there had been a meeting in regard to the formation of [REDACTED] Committee composed of prominent Americans. There had been some doubts on the part of State Department but these were eliminated by the arguments of [REDACTED] is delighted that there appears to be some Agency in the Government which is capable of coming up with ideas. Mr. Wisner will attend a further meeting this afternoon. The DCI said that any committee of this nature must be under careful control and that he would like to see the composition. Mr. Wisner said that in fact the Committee would just lend their names to the program.

Mr. Wisner reported on [REDACTED] It appears that the [REDACTED] has asked for a security investigation. Col. Edwards will contact the Chief of the State Security Division today. Mr. Wisner will follow up.

Mr. Wisner mentioned the fact that we want to employ James [REDACTED] as a consultant. The DCI approved on a trial 6 months' basis at a yearly rate of [REDACTED]

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Mr. Wolf reported on his lengthy meeting with Mr. [] yesterday. This seems to be the beginning of a beautiful friendship. The DCI said that [] could be of great use to us and told Mr. Wolf to get him cleared and make him a consultant on [] matters.

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